

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A lantern lock, comprising:
a socket assembly comprising a base, a threaded light bulb socket
5 attached to said base, and a power cord electrically attached to said socket;
a mounting stud attached to said socket assembly; and
a spreading frame fixedly attached to said mounting stud, said spreading
frame for holding a light shade in a fixed position.
- 10 2. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 1, wherein:
said shade comprises a collapsible accordion-style lantern shade having
a plurality of ribs and flexible material attached to said ribs to allow said style-
style lantern shade to expand from a collapsed position to an expanded
position.
- 15 3. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 2, wherein:
said spreading frame is configured to be insertable into said style-style
lantern shade to expand said style-style lantern shade to said expanded
position and to retain said style-style lantern shade in said expanded position.
- 20 4. The lantern lock of claim 2, wherein said spreading frame comprises:
at least one hook positioned in proximity to said socket assembly base;
at least one extension arm having a first end attached to and extending
from said socket assembly base, and a second end; and
25 at least one retaining mechanism attached at said second end of said at
least one extension arm.
5. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 1, wherein:
said mounting stud comprises a hollow cylindrical tube wherein said
30 power cord is threaded through said tube.

6. A lantern lock, comprising:
a socket assembly comprising a threaded light bulb socket and a power
cord electrically attached to said socket;
a clamp which clamps at least a portion of said socket assembly;
5 a mounting stud attached to said clamp; and
a spreading frame fixedly attached to said socket assembly, said
spreading frame for holding a light shade in a fixed position.

7. The lantern lock of claim 6, wherein:
10 said portion of said socket assembly comprises said threaded light bulb
socket.

8. The lantern lock of claim 6, wherein:
said portion of said socket assembly comprises said power cord.

15 9. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 6, wherein:
said shade comprises a collapsible style-style lantern shade having a
plurality of ribs and flexible material attached to said ribs to allow said style-style
lantern shade to expand from a collapsed position to an expanded position.

20 10. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 9, wherein:
said spreading frame is configured to be insertable into said style-style
lantern shade to expand said style-style lantern shade to said expanded
position and to retain said style-style lantern shade in said expanded position.

25 11. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 7, wherein:
said shade comprises a collapsible style-style lantern shade having a
plurality of ribs and flexible material attached to said ribs to allow said style-style
lantern shade to expand from a collapsed position to an expanded position.

30 12. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 11, wherein:

said spreading frame is configured to be insertable into said style-style lantern shade to expand said style-style lantern shade to said expanded position and to retain said style-style lantern shade in said expanded position.

5 13. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 8, wherein:

said shade comprises a collapsible style-style lantern shade having a plurality of ribs and flexible material attached to said ribs to allow said style-style lantern shade to expand from a collapsed position to an expanded position.

10 14. A lantern lock in accordance with claim 13, wherein:

said spreading frame is configured to be insertable into said style-style lantern shade to expand said style-style lantern shade to said expanded position and to retain said style-style lantern shade in said expanded position.

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